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TO AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT:RENEGOTIATION OF EXCHANGES AGREEMENT

REF: BUCHAREST 4792

1. DEPARTMENT CONCURS IN EMBASSY JUDGMENT EXPRESSED REFTEL THAT IT WOULD UNDULY RUSH THE ORDERLY PROCESS OF NEGOTIATIONS TO ACCEDE TO THE ROMANIAN SUGGESTION FOR PREPARATION OF CULTURAL EXCHANGES AGREEMENT FOR SIGNATURE BY THE SECRETARY WHILE HE IS IN BUCHAREST.

2. YOU ARE THEREFORE AUTHORIZED TO TELL MACOVESCU THAT WHILE WE ARE PREPARED TO MOVE EXPEDITIOUSLY INTO NEGOTIATIONS, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE IN INTEREST OF BOTH PARTIES NOT TO ATTEMPT TO ACCELERATE PREPARATIONS THUS RISKING POSSIBLE IMPRECISIONS WHICH COULD TROUBLE US LATER. WE WILL ALSO INFORM ROMANIANS HERE EARLY NEXT
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WEEK.IN DISCUSSIONS WITH ROMANIANS YOU MAY ASSURE THEM

THAT WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONCLUDING LONG-TERM (FIVE YEAR) AGREEMENT WHICH WILL PROVIDE A FIRM BASIS FOR A PROGRAM OF PRODUCTIVE COOPERATION.

3. WE APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S PROMPT FORWARDING OF ROMANIAN

DRAFT TEXT AND COMMENTS THEREON. WE ARE NEARING COMPLETION OF OUR PROPOSED UMBRELLA AGREEMENT AND WILL SHORTLY SEND IT TO EMBASSY FOR COMMENT.

4. WE WOULD LIKE NEGOTIATIONS TO BEGIN IN BUCHAREST O/A NOVEMBER 11 AND WIND THEM UP THAT SAME WEEK. WE HOPE THIS APPEARS FEASIBLE FROM BOTH EMBASSY AND GOR'S POINT OF VIEW. ROMANIAN EMBASSY HERE BELIEVES THREE TO FIVE DAYS IS AMPLE TIME FOR NEGOTIATING UMBRELLA AGREEMENT, AND MOST PROBABLY, PROGRAM UNDERSTANDINGS, TOO.PLEASE ALSO SEEK ROMANIAN REACTION TO THIS DATE ASAP.

5. FYI. WE ARE PLANNING TO HAVE AMBASSADOR BARNES LEAD THE DELEGATION. ANDREWS (EUR/EE) AND RICHMOND (CU/EE) WOULD COME FROM WASHINGTON. EMBASSY PAO (OR HIS DESIGNEE) AND SCIATT WOULD REPRESENT USIA AND OES/SCI RESPECTIVELY. END FYI. KISSINGER

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